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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Administration)

FROM: General Counsel

**SUBJECT: Comparable Government Rank
for Legislative Officers.**

1. Legislative matters in the Department of State are handled by an Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations (Salary -- \$15,000 a year).

2. Legislative matters in the Department of Defense are handled by an Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legal and Legislative Affairs) who has under his jurisdiction a Director of the Office of Legislative Liaison (currently filled by a Rear Admiral and previously filled by a Major General). In addition, major legislative problems in the Department of Defense are handled by their General Counsel (GS-18) and by an Associate General Counsel (GS-16). In addition, Defense Department appropriations have the attention of another Associate General Counsel (GS-16).

3. The legislative problems of the Department of the Army and the Department of the Air Force are handled by Major Generals in each instance.

4. An Assistant General Counsel (GS-16) for legislative matters has just been established in the National Production Administration.

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